#### A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

#### AN ACT

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"Section 2. Full authority is hereby given the commission to enforce by injunction, mandatory injunction or other appropriate remedy, in the courts of competent jurisdiction, any and all reasonable rules and regulations promulgated by it, which are not in conflict with this chapter, and all of the terms and conditions, which are not in conflict with this chapter, contained in declarations of appropriations (certified filings) and in permits to appropriate water heretofore granted and which may hereafter be granted by it, under authority of law."
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### BILL ANALYSIS

## (1) Background informantion:

Article 7531 presently requires the Texas Water Rights Commission to publish its rules in three seperate newspers. This represents a sizable cost to the Commission and is out of line with the provisions of Art. 6252 which prescribes the procedure for adoption and publication of new rules and rule changes for all state agencies.

#### (2) What the bill does:

Art. 7531 presently states that no amendment of an existing rule or no new rule will be effective until 30 days after a copy shall have been published one time in a newspaper of general circulation in each of the three Water Divisions. This bill would change the effective date to 30 days after a copy of the rule was filed with the secretary of state and eliminate any publication in newspaper, putting this agency in line with all other state agencies as to rule changes.

Art. 7475 divides the state into 3 water divisions. These 3 divisions are only used today for publication purposes since the Water Commissioners no longer are required to come from each of these divisions. If Art. 7531 is amended, deleating the publication obligation, there would be no reason to retain these divisions of the state.

### (3) Section analysis:

Section 1. Deals with rules and rule changes of the Texas Water Rights Commission.

Section 2. Repeals Art. 7475.

Section 3. Declares an emergency.

#### (4) In Committee:

H. B. No. 177 was discussed by the full Committee and sent to a subcommittee. It was found that the printers left two lines out of the original bill so a Committee Substitute was adopted to correct this. The Committee Substitute was went back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass, by a unanimous vote.

#### FORM C

(For a favorable report on a bill where a "committee substitute" was recommended by the committee.)

#### **COMMITTEE REPORT**

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Speaker of the House of Representatives.

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We, your Committee	on Conser	valion a	nd Keel	amelion, to whom wa
referred HB	No/	77	, have had	the same under consideration
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Committee Substitute	was recommended a	and is to be printed	in lieu of the origin	al bill.

(A "committee substitute" in the case of a bill is in the form of two suggested amendments, a new body and a new caption. Under the Rules a committee may authorize the printing of the "committee substitute" in lieu of the original bill. If the original caption is adequate, the "committee substitute" should be only a new body; and in such case the original caption should be printed along with the suggested new body.)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO.

Amend H.B. 177 by deleting all below the enacting clause and substituting the following:

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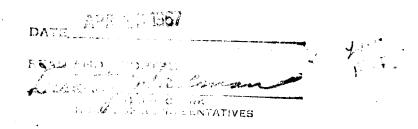
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	Austin, Texas
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Hon. Preston Smith President of the Senate	
Sir:	
We, your Committee on Water a	nd Conservation ,
to which was referred HB. No	. 177 , have had the same
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I hereby certify that H.B. No. 177 was passed by the House on April 12, 1967, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House

I hereby certify that H.B. No. 177 was passed by the Senate on May 17, 1967, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays O.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED:

6-8-67

Governor

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John L. Hill Secretary of State

#### AN ACT

relating to automobile mileage expenses for county auditors; amending Title 34, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, by adding a new Article 1650a; and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

Section 1. Title 34, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925,
is amended by adding a new article to read as follows:

"Article 1650a. MILEAGE EXPENSES

"The commissioners court may reimburse the county auditor for expenses incurred in traveling to and from the county seat in his personal automobile to perform his official duties and to attend conferences and seminars relating to the performance of his official duties. However, the commissioners court may not reimburse the auditor for expenses incurred in traveling between his personal residence and county office, or for expenses incurred in any other travel of a personal nature. The commissioners court by order shall fix the rate of reimbursement, not to exceed 10 cents a mile.

Reimbursement shall be made monthly from the appropriate county funds on submission of sworn expense reports by the county auditor."

Sec. 2. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this Rule is hereby suspended.

I hereby certify that W.B. No. 188 was passed by the House on March 14, 1967, by a non-record vota.

Chief Clerk of the House

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Secretary of the Senate

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- 1-24-67 Filed.
- 1-26-67 Read first time and referred to Committee on Conservation and Reclamation.
- 3-22-67 Reported favorably as amended, sent to printer.
- 3-23-67 Printed, distributed and referred to Committee on Rules at 10:45 a.m.
- 4-12-67 Read second time, amended and ordered engrossed by a non-record vote.
- 4-12-67 Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days suspended by a four-fifths vote: Yeas 141, Nays 6.
- 4-12-67 Read third time and passed by a non-record vote.

Dorothy Hallman Chief Clerk, H. of R.

- 4-12-67 Sent to Engrossing Clerk.
- 4-12-67 Engrossed.

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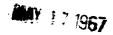
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